

TOWN TALK

The rains of California fell at the psychological moment.

Trustee I. M. Perrin returned from Sacramento yesterday.

Hon. Charles J. Rihn, Supervisor, favors the city charter.

Leo F. Torney, Esq., lawyer and citizen, called at this office on business this week.

It is expected that Frank Moitoza may return on a visit about May.

There is need of an up-town Wells Fargo office for collection and distribution of express. This would assist the public.

Assemblyman Johnston has introduced a bill relating to indigent parents, No. 123, that should become a law.

H. H. Turley has saved our city \$224.25 on filing city papers at the county seat. Twenty-five cents settled the account. Work for a Richmond county.

Our Board of Trustees will give our city a main traffic way and they will do all in their power to have it ready by midsummer, if possible.

Richmond has stories leaking out about gambling on the Fish Ranch. The Fish Ranch may be located in the bay south of town. There are some fish there.

Baseball is very apt to figure very extensively at Macdonald avenue and Twenty-third street. Arrangements for big crowds will be made for the coming summer.

Say what you may it is said that Assemblyman T. D. Johnston will introduce the charter to the consideration of the Legislature, for he is on committee of corporations.

Assemblyman Johnston is chairman of the House Committee on Rules. Assemblyman Gibbons of San Luis Obispo says this committee makes rules that makes the passage of anti-race-track laws somewhat difficult.

It is charged at every legislative session at Sacramento that there are bills with "bugs" in them. It looks as if Johnston's San Francisco Bill, No. 180, might have a figurative "tumble bug" in it, which can not be foreseen until it gets to working.

Those who would start a movement for Richmond County wish to understand that they do not wish to do anything that would hamper the movement for Richmond charter. At a meeting of a committee last night it was decided not to carry the movement for a new county to the California Legislature at this session lest it may kill the charter.

A leading member of a union in this city expresses the fear that the recall clause under the proposed city charter would be imperative for workmen, if they desired to recall an official favorable to the corporations he would be making his black list, when he signed the petition—when he filed his name he would get fired and some citizen's alliance man would be employed in his place, and every vestige of unionism in Richmond would be destroyed.

Assemblyman Johnston has introduced an Act to amend Section 1874 of the Political Code of California, relating to the Committee on Text Books—Great Scott! Tom, you do not intend to put in practice your assertion that you would not have school text books every twenty or twenty-five years, even if you did teach "skule" in Mendocino county, do you?

Assemblyman Johnston has introduced a bill carrying with it an appropriation of two thousand five hundred dollars, to restore certain records in the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court at San Francisco, and the Terminal ventures the prediction that if the Hon. T. D. Johnston lands that position of an assistant clerk in the Supreme Court the proposed appropriation would more than pay his salary for a year should the bill become a law.

On Thursday evening, January 21, 1909, the Degree of Pocahontas, No. 96, will give a prize grand masquerade ball at Maple hall and this is the leading event of the New Year so far and is the swellest event announced. Four handsome prizes will be given the most original characters and the music will be dispensed by the Logan-Schwartz orchestra. The young people

will turn out in the same manner as at Antioch and Martinez. The Pocahontas at Richmond have dances that are very popular.

Mr. Harshner landed the position of Assembly file clerk.

Tsar Calfee, a leader of athletic field sports, will probably have an excellent field for training opposite Richmond Union High school. The John Nichol Land Company will not refuse the boys the grounds.

The Record asks: "Where is the Fish Ranch and is it a gambling den?" This is referred to Parson Davis. A prize fight that occurred last week was overlooked; also a notice: "Turkey Raffle," however the sign may not have been removed since the raffle.

The temporary restraining order against the construction of the sub-way on Macdonald avenue was made permanent by Judge Wells and Mrs. Smith on the corner was awarded \$2500, and Mrs. Yeste and the proprietress of the Richdon were awarded \$1500 each, a compromise in the damages suit in which they sued for \$5000 each or the total of \$15,000. The sum of \$5,000 was not so bad either. Henry Cutting was reported as saying that those property owners should have damages.

STIDHAM STOCKWELL.

Homer G. Stidham, the popular and efficient chief clerk of the Southern Pacific Company at Richmond, and Mrs. J. W. Stockwell, a popular and charming widow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Odell, and sister of Judge Clarence Odell of this city, on Friday evening a week ago, left for Reno, Nevada, on their pre-nuptial journey via the Southern Pacific. The little news item took life on the west side and trotted into the Terminal office on all fours and trotted all over town and whispered about the ramblings of Cupid.

At the depot there was a big demonstration and whistles of engines, gongs and triangles gave a sort of a tone that indicated a wedding congratulation with an old-time custom ring to it.

At Reno the marriage ceremony was duly solemnized, Mr. and Mrs. Stidham received a warm welcome on their return home last night.

Mr. and Mrs. Stidham probably went to Reno to avoid a noisy serenade, but it was to no purpose. The editor attended once a serenade at Belmont, that made the Spokane Indians there blush. The Pale Face can beat them for noise.

HEAP BIG SQUAW—UGH! UGH! UGH!

Thursday, January 7, 1909, the chiefs of Ojibwa Camped No. 10, D. of P., were installed for the evening term. District Deputy Hattie B. La Salle, assisted by Post Pocahontas, Carrie Barber, officiated over a very able manner. Those present were: Prophetsess, Lilla Warrillow, Pocahontas, S. J. Kennedy, Warrillow, Lilla Barber, Pocahontas, W. L. Laidlaw, first scout, Annie O'Rourke, second scout, Lilla Warrillow, guard of forest, P. C. Laidlaw, first runner, Esther Barber, second runner, Nellie Miller, first warrior, Frank J. Webers, second warrior, J. A. DeBarrows, third warrior, Robert W. Nash, fourth warrior, H. J. Barber, first counselor, Myrtle Barber, second counselor, Juanta DeBarrows.

After the installation Hattie B. La Salle, D. D., in words both beautiful and impressive, presented the retiring Prophetsess, Carrie Barber, with a beautiful collar, the Supreme Court at San Francisco, emblematic of her rank, and Lilla Co., and the Terminal ventures the prediction that if the Hon. T. D. Johnston lands that position of an assistant clerk in the Supreme Court the proposed appropriation would more than pay his salary for a year should the bill become a law.

EIGHTEEN SUMMER BUDS.

On the evening of Monday, January 11, there was a commotion among the smart set. This was the occasion of the surprise given at the home of Miss Myrita Adelaide Pierce at the home of her mother, Mrs. Helen Pierce, at 1221 Ninth street, this city.

Miss Pierce was some time in recovering her partial deshabille, but quickly arranged to receive the following guests in a graceful

fashion: Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Shea, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hadley, Mr. and Mrs. J. DeBarrows, Mrs. Phil Barry, Miss Frances DeBarrows, Miss Maude Brown, Miss Bessie Martin, Mrs. Milton Field, Misses Esther and Myrita Pierce, Mrs. Pierce, Miss M. Shea, Mr. J. T. Carnahan, Mr. H. Christian, Mr. J. E. Williamson, Mr. Milton Field, Mr. C. B. Gregory, Mr. W. A. Kennedy, Mr. E. Duke, Mr. C. E. Skinner, Mr. John T. Gough, Mr. W. Christian, Mrs. O'Rourke was unavoidably detained on account of a severe toothache, which throbbled about eighteen times, one for each year of the anniversary. There was a splendid banquet and the Pierce brand of salad was very good. There was a shower of fine presents. This was the most enjoyable surprise ever given in our city.

Public is Wise.

In our last issue the Terminal was a little severe in its criticism of Anti-ring Republicans in making it too general, and therefore applicable in a wild way to those who were loyal to the Republican nominees in the late November election. It is far from this journal to cast any insinuations that would reflect any of the traits of a Benedict Arnold. But our publication in praise of Superior Judge Laidlaw last week revealed to a certainty if we may credit the assertion of one of our esteemed Republican leaders, that A. B. McKenzie, Ex-chairman of the Republican County Central Committee of Contra Costa County, and who posed as a strong anti-ring man, got out and worked against Fred V. Wood, and his action on election day has brought upon him a severe rebuke from his fellow workers. The present Republican Central Committee it is believed would not recommend that eccentric gentleman for appointment as Superior Judge should the legislature grant this county an additional judge. The course pursued by A. B. McKenzie has not won any laurels for him at Richmond. He does not play in the anti-ring's back yard, nor is he permitted to slide down the cellar door of the Ancient Order politically speaking. His actions stand on the public record.

It is said that "Sliding Tom" did not do politics according to Hoyle, either. Both played their cards for their own selfish ends to all appearances and their political errors are each going the same route as a little faded flower.

The old-fashioned Birmingham-Veal-Milnes combination still exists, it is said even though two of the quartette are out of the county—they should return and watch things. Certain men in Richmond may aspire for a nomination in 1910, and these are openly supporting the "ring" power in Richmond, and they do not have the political shyness to read their Waterloo for the anti-ring Republicans will line up for the fray again and they will cut loose from the combination.

Point Richmond has two central committees and the east side one. It is the intention to distribute the organization through all parts of Richmond. Nothing will be done to cause a split in the ranks. A newspaper proposition is on foot. The staunch anti-ring are as firm as ever and will go to the bat in the next campaign with increased vigor. That is the way it looks at Richmond.

The Busy Children of Fair Lomaland.

THE TERMINAL desires to acknowledge for the editor, and Mrs. Brown and Miss Brown, the receipt each of a New Year's card of 1909, from Raja Yoga School as greetings from the children Lomaland, to whom we beg to extend to the children of Lomaland our New Year's greetings in return. This school was founded by Katharine Tingley, the most remarkable woman of today. She is expending her millions on her wonderful school on Point Loma-by-the-Sea, at San Diego. The children have made wonderful progress by great development of the faculties of concentration and their limits of

apperception are enlarged to a surprising degree by focusing points of the outside world through sensory impressions upon the grey matter working through native interests first, from concrete to abstract, near to remote, simple to complex, transforming this magnetic atomic, molecular, vital energy in a modern way to energy of action, into energy of politeness, reverence for the Creator and beauteous nature and the knowledge of correct living in a practical way—yes it is the most wonderful school on earth—no other like it.

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